



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

Glauca PARANHOS-BACCALA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1648

Application No.: 09/319,156

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For: RETROVIRAL NUCLEIC MATERIAL AND NUCLEOTIDE FRAGMENTS, IN PARTICULAR ASSOCIATED WITH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AND/OR RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS, FOR DIAGNOSTIC, PROPHYLACTIC AND THERAPEUTIC USES

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